

Government Railways.

ROUND TRIPS BETWEEN SYDNEY AND WINDSOR.

60 MILES BY RAIL—75 MILES BY STEAMER.

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, 17th and 18th December.

ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17th, TRAIN WILL LEAVE SYDNEY 8.30 A.M., and return 8.50 P.M. On arrival at Windsor, passengers will be transferred to a train which will run to the Railway Station and Circular Quay via Pitt-street, will be diverted to Castlereagh and Pitt-street, terminating opposite the North Shore Wharf. Trains running from the Railway Station to Circular Quay will run via Pitt-street, and from Circular Quay via Pitt-street.

The Stopping-places will be as follows:—Up Journey, via Castlereagh—George-street, Pitt-street, Pitt-street, Pitt-street, Pitt-street, Pitt-street (when required), Liverpool-street, Bathurst-street, Pitt-street, Market-street, King-street, Moore-street, Hunter-street, Bent-street, Bridges-street, Leichhardt-street, George-street, Junction, Railway.

By Order of the Commissioners.

H. M. LACHLAN, Secretary.
SYDNEY, December 16th.

EXCURSION TO PARKESVALE.

WEDNESDAY, 18th DECEMBER.

THE RETURN TICKET TO PARKESVALE costs 10s. Diners per steamer to Parkesvale will be issued at Sydney, Sydney, and intermediate stations by train leaving Sydney at 8.30 P.M., available for return by train leaving 10.30 P.M.

RETURN FARES: First-class, 10s; 2d; Second-class, 6d.

Refreshments can be obtained on board the Steamer at reasonable rates.

CHEAP EXCURSION TO THE MOUNTAINS.

WEDNESDAY, 18th DECEMBER.

CHEAP EXCURSION TICKETS at 2d per mile First-class and 1d per mile Second-class will be issued at all stations in the Metropolitan, Suburban, and Newcastle Suburban Sections by all trains leaving Sydney, Wednesday, 18th December, available for return within one calendar month from date of issue.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

1901-1902.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued from all stations to all stations except for distances 12 miles and under and between stations in the Metropolitan, Suburban, and Newcastle Suburban Sections by all trains leaving Sydney, Wednesday, 18th December, available for return until Friday, 26th JANUARY, 1902, inclusive.

INTER-STATE TICKETS.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued up to TUESDAY, 31st December, to the principal Queensland, Victoria, and South Australian stations, for return to Sydney. The journey may be broken up into two parts, for one month, and during the currency of the ticket on the return.

The Tickets issued to Victorian stations will not be available by the Express Train except on payment of the difference between the holiday excursion and ordinary fare.

SPECIAL CHEAP EXCURSIONS.

TO MELBOURNE.

SPECIAL EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Sydney for Melbourne at 4.30 p.m. TUESDAY, 19th December, calling at all the principal stations en route. The tickets by this Train will be issued at all stations, and the return journey at 10.30 p.m. in carriages ex-empted from the usual charges, to MONDAY, 25th December, 1901, available for return on TUESDAY, 26th January, 1902.

RETURN FARES TO MELBOURNE:

First-class, 10s; 2d; Second-class, 6d.

For detailed arrangements see HANDILLS and PARTERS.

SPECIAL EXCURSIONS TO THE COUNTRY.

SPECIAL CLASS EXCURSION TICKETS at 1d per mile First-class Return (minimum 10s) and 1d per mile Second-class Return (minimum 6d) will be issued at Sydney and suburban stations, and at all stations outside the metropolitan area, based on the respective fares by the following trains from Sydney:

TO THE SOUTHERN LINE.

Stations: Double Park to Albury, and various branch lines, and Wagga Wagga, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. TUESDAY, 18th December. To stations on the Culcairn-Cooma line at 7.15 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 19th December. To stations on the Jerilderie-Balranie line at 8.30 p.m. on THURSDAY, 20th December.

TO THE NORTHERN AND NORTH-WESTERN LINES.

To the Way and stations beyond at 12.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 18th December.

TO THE WESTERN LINE.

To main-line stations between Wallerawang and to the Hawkesbury, Forbes, Goulburn, Warren, and Cobar branch lines at 3.30 p.m. on TUESDAY, 17th December. To stations on the Grenfell line at 7.30 p.m., and to stations on the Berrima line at 8.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 18th December.

To Spindonwood, to stations Lawson to Wallerawang inclusive, and to the Mudgee line, at 7.30 a.m. on THURSDAY, 19th December.

CHEAP EXCURSION TICKETS.

In addition to the Cheap Tickets ordinarily issued on Fridays and Saturdays, CHRISTIAN EXCURSION TICKETS at 1d per mile Second-class Return (minimum 6d) will be issued at Sydney and all metropolitan suburban stations to the country by the following trains from Sydney:

TO THE SOUTHERN LINE.

SATURDAY, 21st December, 1.10 p.m. to Newcastle.

MONDAY, 23rd December, 8.30 a.m. to Newcastle.

TUESDAY, 24th December, 8.30 a.m. to Newcastle; 1.30 p.m., stations Naracoorte to Tamworth; 3.30 p.m. to Newcastle to Newcast; 4.30 p.m., to Newcastle; 6.30 p.m. to Newcastle, 11.15 p.m. to Newcastle and West Maitland.

WEDNESDAY, 25th December, 8.30 a.m. to Gosford; 8.30 a.m. to Newcastle.

TO THE WESTERN LINE.

SATURDAY, 21st December, 8.30 p.m. to Mount Victoria.

MONDAY, 23rd December, 4.30 p.m. to stations west of Springfield to Bathurst.

TUESDAY, 24th December, 8.30 p.m. to stations west of Maitland to Orange; 4.30 p.m. to stations west of Springwood to Bathurst; 5.30 p.m. to Mount Victoria; 9.15 p.m. to stations west of Eynesbury to Orange; 11.15 p.m. to stations west of the Mudgee line.

WEDNESDAY, 25th December, 8.30 a.m. to stations west of Springfield to Mount Victoria; 8.30 a.m. to Eynesbury.

THURSDAY, 26th December, 8.30 a.m. to Gosford; 8.30 a.m. to Newcastle.

TO THE SOUTH COAST LINE.

MONDAY, 23rd December, 8.30 p.m. to Newcastle.

TUESDAY, 24th December, 8.30 p.m. to stations west of Goulburn to Kiama; 10.30 a.m. to stations west of Wollongong to Sydney; 11.15 p.m. to stations west of Goulburn to Kiama; 11.30 p.m. to stations west of Wollongong to Sydney.

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TO THE NORTHERN LINE.

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A WELCOME SOCIAL.

THE MAYOR'S FAREWELL SPEECH.

The Mayor of Sydney (Sir James Graham) gave a speech in the Town Hall last night to the whole of the municipal officers. He had the object in view of introducing to them the new town clerk (Mr. J. H. Newell), who has been appointed to succeed him.

He spoke of the great change which was taking place in the town hall, and the new town clerk (Mr. J. H. Newell) who had been appointed to succeed him.

The entertainment was held in the refreshment-room, and in addition to about 100 officers there were also present several aldermen, the programme of musical items and recitations had been arranged by Mr.

Merriman, and the contributors, who were all other officers or aldermen, were as follows:—The Mayor, Alderman P. F. Kelly; Mr. Arthur Merriman, Sheriff, G. W. Gordon, Brothman, Herriman, Brothman, Dungan, Waller, Bertie, and Baird.

There was a short address by the Mayor.

Mr. James Graham had addressed the officers to kill him as soon as he returns.

Mrs. Robinson said: "Several of them have told me they would rather commit suicide than go back. I really think there will be suicides. The boys say they will never go home. They will clean out their houses, and when they have nothing left, will come to us to sleep for a month."

He went home to Malaya. They knew he was a school boy, and they chopped his head off before the vessel which took him down had left. Two other school boys went back to Malaya and both were shot. There are about 200 kanaka children in the school, and there are a lot in the district. If we leave, we will be separated from our family.

What will we do with our family of five? They will all die."

That is a fact. Kanaka children born in Queensland always die when taken to the islands. It is the change of food and the change of conditions.

Of course they are only kanaka children, but the real kanaka children in the school, are in that position.

It is the position of that poor mother who knows these children will die.

The fathers and mothers are registered as legally married, and the children are registered as having been born in Queensland.

If the fathers and mothers are sent away they will have to take the children with them to a barbershop young ones know not what to do.

They are good children. Look at that boy. He is 14. His father and mother died, and I have brought him up since he was a baby. He knows nothing of savage life. He has been well fed, well clothed, and well taught all his life. Would it not be cruel to send him among savages?

The boys dread the idea. They have heard of the treatment of the kanakas in the islands by the municipal officers. Therefore the American, who was generally sent to the islands, was one that ought to be sent to them.

When he was at Newington College, Stannan, there was nothing to be surprised at.

The interview, question and answer, is given exactly as it occurred, the answers of the president being given in grammatical correction. It was as follows:

"What is your name?"

"Antonius (baptismal name) Tuie Tonga."

"You are president of an association of Pacific Islanders?"

"Yes."

"What is the object of the association?"

"To promote free labour."

"How long have you been in Australia?"

"I was educated at Newington College, Stanmore, I know Sydney, and I have often read the Sydney Morning Herald, and I have been here for 10 years."

"Will it allow you to express your views?"

"Yes, I have the right to do so."

"Would you like to be a member of the Council or citizens?"

"I would like to be a member of the Council, and I would like to be a citizen."

"Would you like to be a member of the State Council?"

"Yes, I would like to be a member of the State Council."

"Would you like to be a member of the Commonwealth Council?"

"Yes, I would like to be a member of the Commonwealth Council."

"Would you like to be a member of the Federal Parliament?"

"Yes, I would like to be a member of the Federal Parliament."

"Would you like to be a member of the State Parliament?"

"Yes, I would like to be a member of the State Parliament."

"Would you like to be a member of the Commonwealth Parliament?"

"Yes, I would like to be a member of the Commonwealth Parliament."

"Would you like to be a member of the Australian Parliament?"

"Yes, I would like to be a member of the Australian Parliament."

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1901.

Colonel Colclough reports the capture of Comandant Badenhop and 14 of his men at Sterkfontein.

Lord Kotchereff says that the capture is important, and will have a good effect.

Amongst the Boers captured were two of Comandant Badenhop's adjutants, besides an adjutant and remounts from General Botha.

The extension of the mining industry on the Rand.

Commandant de Wet is destined to take the offensive.

Some of Commandant Delaney's officers are engaged in estimating the damage done to the farm by the Boers.

Dr. Milner, Mr. Kruger's son-in-law, has said for Delaney Bay with instructions to inquire into the situation of affairs, and if he finds it desperate, to urge the Boers to seek terms.

The country round Johannesburg within 100 miles radius is safe owing to the blackhouse.

The National (Burgess) Scouts number 150, and are increasing daily.

The British garrison at Tonteboschshop took night duty, and had, besides repelling attacks, to hold a position in a week to order to obtain water.

In their flight from Witwatersrand the Boers left many wounded at farms, and 17 of the enemy were captured, but a guarantee of good faith.

The Central district of Cape Colony is clear of the Boers, and Commandant Theron has again driven north.

The mortality in the concentration camps during October and November was 263 men, 561 women, and 934 children.

Major-General Baden-Powell has sailed for South Africa.

Amongst the volunteers for the Canadian contingent are 350 officers.

The cold in the north-western States of America is the most intense that is remembered. A blizzard occurred at Wyoming, and 10 persons perished.

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